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RE APPLICATION OF:

KIMIHIRO MATSUSE ET AL.

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EXAMINER: QUACH, TUAN N.

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FOR: METHOD OF FORMING

SEMICONDUCTOR WIRING

STRUCTURES

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 28, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Request for Extension of Time (1 Month)

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

| CLAIMS | CLAIMS REMAINING | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID | NO. EXTRA CLAIMS | | RATE | | CALCULATIONS |
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| TOTAL | 16 | MINUS | 46 · | 0 | х | \$18 | = | \$0.00 |
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| | | ☐ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS - | | | | \$290 | = | \$0.00 |
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